

MINUTES of the BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

Board Members Present: Chairman, Roberta Fraser; Jack Marsh, Ben Kilanski, Raymond Williams and Herbert Stephens. Also present: Water/Wastewater Superintendent, Rick Meleski; Highway Superintendent, Dale Gray and Police Chief Gary Phillips.

1st Order of Business: Open Meeting and Acceptance of the Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Selectman Kilanski **made a motion** to approve the minutes of July 13, 2016. Selectman ~~Kilanski~~ ^{Marsh} seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

2nd Order of Business: Mari Brunner and Ravel Zalez, planners from SWRPC, address the Board to present and discuss a program with the Town to improve community health and ways to promote a healthier community. The program as a whole is called "Partnerships to Improve Community Health" (PICH) The program needs approval by the BOS, the cost is covered by a grant from Healthy Monadnock.

SWRPC has been subcontracted by Cheshire Medical Center to undertake the active transportation portion of this program. This includes promoting Complete Streets, an approach to transportation design, planning, construction, operation and maintenance. It takes into consideration the needs of all users, in car, bike or on foot.

Safe Routes to School is a national movement to encourage students to use other forms of active transportation to and from school, such as walking or riding bicycles.

Rack it Up! provides free or subsidized bike racks to businesses and community institutions. Since 2014, the program has resulted in the placement of 442 new bicycle parking spaces in Keene, Swanzey, Troy and Hinsdale.

The Board listened to the presentation and informed the presenters that they like the program and will discuss it and get back to them.

3rd Order of Business: Chairman Fraser read an email from Lt. Prior regarding posting a speed limit sign on rabbit Hollow Rd. Currently there is not a sign and speeding is a problem. The Board discussed this and Selectman Kilanski **made a motion** to set the speed limit at 25 on Rabbit Hollow Rd and to place a speed limit sign there. Selectman Stephens seconded it. Motion carried 4-1.

4th Order of Business: Business

There is a discussion regarding parking on Main Street next to the Mini-Mart. The State owns the portion of street that is being utilized for parking. The residents park facing into the building and the Board discussed making the parking parallel. The state has given permission to improve the parking area and line it. There is also a part of the sidewalk that needs improvement. There is a discussion with Dale regarding doing the work and how much it will cost and when it will get done. Dale will co-ordinate it and get the project done when the

crew is done with road projects that are scheduled. The TA will send a letter to the tenants informing them of the new parking situation.

Chief Phillips addressed the board regarding raising the rate of pay for police detail jobs from the current rate of \$39.15 to a new rate of \$40.00. The hourly rate charged businesses will not be changed, less monies will go into outside details account. Selectman Stephens ***made a motion*** to approve the new rate of \$40.00, Selectman Williams seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

5th order of Business: Office documents

There are P.O.'s submitted by the road agent for labor, equipment rental and materials for the scheduled summer road projects. \$6575.00 M&L and \$111,099.59 Mitchell.

The Board discussed these projects previously and approved them. Selectman Marsh would like to discuss repairing Old Chesterfield Rd. instead of completing Burt Hill Rd. He feels that Old Chesterfield Rd. is in worse condition and really needs to be repaired quickly. Dale explained that Burt Hill Rd. needs to be paved because it has already been shimmed and is ready to go. The longer the road sits without being paved the shim will start to fall apart and will have to be redone. Marsh disagreed, pointing out that Back Ashuelot Rd. wasn't paved for six years after being shimmed. There was a discussion regarding which projects should be done and whether Old Chesterfield Rd or Burt Hill Rd should be done first. The Board stayed with the decision previously made regarding the projects. Chairman Fraser recommends making Old Chesterfield Rd. one of the priorities for next year, she realizes it is in bad shape. The Board agreed. Selectman Kilanski ***made a motion*** to approve the PO's for the projects. Selectman Stephens seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

Three PO's for the RED committee- \$385.00 total. Selectman Marsh ***made a motion*** to approve the PO's for Luestek, Winchester Band and Quartet 1-3-5 for a total of \$385.00. Selectman Stephens seconded it. Motion carried.

6th Order of Business: Open to the Floor

Barry Montgomery addressed the Board and recommended borrowing the money for Old Chesterfield Rd. Chairman Fraser explained that the Board cannot just borrow money and it is not an emergency. It will be done next year.

Robert ? addressed the Board and volunteered to mow the Thayer Library lawn. The Board informed him to contact karen Berthiaume, as she is doing it now.

7th Order of Business: Non-Public under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) Selectman Marsh ***made a motion*** to enter non-public session under (a). Selectman Kilanski seconded the motion. A roll call vote is taken and members vote "yes" individually and the Board convened in non-public session at 8:25 p.m.

8th Order of Business: Reconvene

The Board reconvened in public session at 8:56 p.m. The minutes under (a) have been sealed.

9th Order of Business: Adjournment

Selectman Kilanski ***made a motion*** to adjourn. Selectman Marsh seconded the motion. The motion passes 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully recorded, Roberta Fraser

BOS Regular Minutes approved by the Board:


Roberta Fraser, Chairman